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June Board Meeting Summary

On June 22, 2006, the Board held its second meeting of the year. The Board considered 358 applications for a full and unrestricted license. It also approved 180 applicants for Residency Training License, 67 Institutional Practice Limited Licenses and 7 Fellowship Training Licenses. Also, 15 applicants were given special consideration resulting in two applications being tabled for further investigation.

The Board reviewed recommendations from its Physician Assistant Advisory Committee, Surgical Assistant Committee and the State Council on Athletic Trainers. It also selected candidates to serve on its Acupuncturists Advisory Committee.

Other items discussed included the need to increase fees to offset the cost of day-to-day operations and approved a \$10 processing fee for paper renewal applications for 2007. Also reviewed was a Board audit report performed by the Kentucky Auditor of Public Accounts, and the 2005 annual report from Public Citizen, a national, non-profit consumer advocacy organization based in Washington, D.C. noting that Kentucky was ranked first in taking disciplinary actions against physicians.

Licensure a Privilege, Not Right of Individuals

The Board takes seriously its responsibility in granting the "privilege" of practicing medicine in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Time and time again the Board is requested to "waive" licensure requirements. Physicians, hospitals and others involved in recruiting physicians to practice medicine in this state should understand that the licensure process takes time and that licensure is not guaranteed to any applicant. The application packet is an all-inclusive packet, which lists all requirements for the U.S. and foreign medical graduates. Primary source verification is an important tool for ensuring that an applicant meets the requirements to provide that the citizens of this state be properly protected against unprofessional, improper, unauthorized and unqualified practice of medicine. The application process can take from 60 to 90 days to complete.

Due to the number of calls received by the Board from hospitals, credentialing companies, managed care groups, etc., regarding licensure information, the Board would remind all concerned parties to make sure the physician applying for licensure is eligible for a Kentucky license before committing to financial obligations in recruiting that physician. Be certain you understand the licensure procedures. It is the Board's responsibility to determine that an applicant is qualified to practice with reasonable skill and safety. Please do not ask for waivers of requirements.

Board Action Report (Actions taken since 4/1/2006)

- Mark S. Adams, M.D., London, KY, #22682
 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/9/06.
- **Richard W. Arnold, M.D., Cynthiana, KY, #18408**Agreed Order of Revocation, Stayed; Agreed Order of Suspension and Probation entered into 6/2/06.
- Robert S. Baker, M.D., Lexington, KY, #18933 Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 6/12/06.
- Rano S. Bofill, M.D., Out of State, #16535

 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/14/06.
- Clyde D. Brown, M.D., Fort Wright, KY, #21732

 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 5/19/06.
- Ramon L. Caballero, M.D., Lexington, KY, #32238
 Agreed Order entered into 6/6/06.
- Charles R. Combs, M.D., Lexington, KY, #15480
 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/8/06.
- Warren M. Cox, IV, M.D., Louisville, KY, #24435
 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/8/06.
- Arthur T. Daus, M.D., Sandy Hook, KY, #13073 Agreed Order of Forfeiture entered into 6/5/06.
- Kent L. Davis, M.D., Paris, KY, #20186
 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/12/06.
- Patricia A. Doncaster, D.O., Williamsburg, KY, #02458 Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 4/13/06.
- John L. Doyle, III, M.D., Mt. Sterling, KY, #31288

 Order of Suspension and Indefinite Restriction issued 5/8/06.
- **Syed Ikramuddin, M.D., Prestonsburg, KY, #19259.**Order Terminating Amended Interim Agreed Order issued 5/1/06.
- Patrick M. Jarvis, M.D., Louisville, KY, #34908.

 Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into

5/4/06.

- Joseph J. Koenigsmark, D.O., Louisville, KY, #02161.

 Memorandum and Order issued by Jefferson Circuit Court on 5/5/06 enjoining Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure from enforcing its Emergency Order of Restriction issued 2/21/06.
- James E. Little, D.O., Whitley City, KY, #01195.
 Fourth Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 4/10/06.
- John T. Logsdon, M.D., Paducah, KY, #25600.

 Amended Order Approving Mentor and Terms of Employment issued 5/1/06.

- Lloyd A. Manchikes, M.D., Owensboro, KY, #31111.

 Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 5/31/06.
- Thomas J. Moore, M.D., Corbin, KY, #22596.
 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/8/06.
- Kenneth L. Mudd, M.D., Louisville, KY, #R0304.

 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/8/06.
- **John A. Patton, M.D., Whitley City, KY, #18176.**Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order issued 6/8/06.
- Brian T. O'Donoghue, M.D., Hardinsburg, KY, #32124. Agreed Order entered into 4/13/06.
- Andrew W. Porter, M.D., Benton, KY, #20835.
 Second Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/28/06.
- **Brian K. Priddle, M.D., Somerset, KY, #22200.**Emergency Order of Suspension issued 4/14/06. Final Order Overturning Emergency Order of Suspension issued by Hearing Officer 5/10/06.
- James M. Rynerson, M.D., Glasgow, KY, #28184.
 Order Terminating Order of Indefinite Restriction issued 5/2/06.
- Michael P. Stevens, M.D., Russellville, KY, #32733.
 Third Amended Interim Agreed Order entered into 6/9/06.
- David A. Thomas, M.D., Louisville, KY, #27346.
 Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 6/14/06.
- Philip C. Trover, M.D., Earlington, KY, #19252. Agreed Order entered into 4/13/06.
- Paul J. Winkler, M.D., Owensboro, KY, License #15563. Interim Agreed Order entered into 6/12/06.
- **Dewey E. Wood, M.D., Russellville, KY, #13043.** Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 6/8/06.
- Restrictions have also been placed on the following physician's pending resolution of charges brought against the physician:
- **Joseph M. Casey, M.D., Prospect, KY, #22203.**Amended Emergency Order of Restriction issued 5/22/06 effective 5/23/06.
- Louis A. Leskosky, M.D., Paducah, KY, #34939.

 Complaint & Emergency Order of Suspension issued 3/31/06 effective 4/5/06.

Acupuncturist Certification Update

During the 2006 Legislative Session, the Kentucky General Assembly passed legislation giving the Board the authority of certifying acupuncturists. The legislation was signed by Governor Fletcher and went into effect on July 15, 2006. The legislation not only gives the Board the authority to certify acupuncturists, but also give the authority to appoint the eight member advisory committee. The committee make-up is as follows: One (1) member of the Board, two (2) physicians licensed by the Board whose practice include the use of acupuncture, four (4) acupuncturists certified by the board, and (1) member of the public not associated with the practice of acupuncture.

At the June Board meeting candidates were selected to serve on the Advisory Committee. The Board also recommended a \$125 initial certification fee to be adopted. It is anticipated the Committee will meet quarterly to review applications for certification. Please note physicians utilizing acupuncture in their practice are not required to obtain this certification.

Patient Care Documentation

The Center for Personalized Education for Physicians (CPEP), Denver, Colorado, offers a Patient Care Documentation course 4 times each year. The program is designed to identify basic professionally accepted documentation guidelines, overcome the barriers to good documentation, improve the coordination of multiple care providers and comprehend medical/legal issues documentation.

At the Board's request, CPEP has agreed to make this program more accessible to Kentucky doctors, by presenting the course in Lexington, Kentucky on November 13. This program has been approved for 8 Category I credits toward the AMA Physician Recognition Award. Physicians who wish to attend this program should call (303) 577-3232.

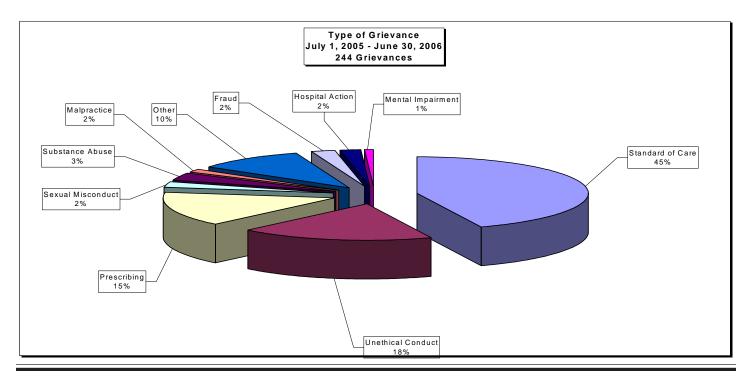
Proposed Fee Increases

For the past three years operating expenses have exceeded revenue collected from fees charged by the Board. As previously noted, in order to generate additional funds the Board has proposed fee increases for the coming year for initial licensure from \$250 to \$300 and renewal of license from \$125 to \$150. It was noted that even with the proposed increases, Kentucky's fees for initial licensure and renewal will still be below the national average.

Proposed regulation changes to reflect these increases have been submitted to the Legislative Research Commission for approval. It should be noted that the Board receives no operating funds from the state's General Fund and all revenue is generated from various fees and services charged to physicians, physician assistants, athletic trainers and surgical assistants.

Types of Grievances

The chart below depicts the type of grievances received in the Board's office against physicians practicing in the state during the past fiscal year. (See attached chart)



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